

**Module code & Title: GENPP501-PYTHON
PROGRAMMING FUNDAMENTALS**

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QUESTION PAPER / MARKING GUIDE

Sector: ICT AND MULTIMEDIA

RQF Level: 5

Trade: SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

Marks:/100

Duration: 3 Hours

This exam paper is composed of twenty-four (24) questions distributed in three sections (A, B, C). Follow the instructions given below, and answer the indicated questions in each section for a total of 100 marks.

Section A: Seventeen (17) questions, all are **compulsory**.

55 marks

Section B: Five (5) questions, choose and answer any three (3).

30 marks

Section C: Two (2) questions, choose and answer any one (1).

15 marks

Allowed materials: Blue pen or black pen, Ruler, Non programmable Calculator, Pencil.

SECTION A: Attempt all questions

(55marks)

01 Which command is used to check the installed Python version? **(2 marks)**

- a) python --version
- b) python -v
- c) py -check
- d) check-python

Answer: a) python --version

02 Which of the following is an immutable data type in Python? **(2 marks)**

- a) List
- b) Dictionary
- c) Tuple
- d) Set

Answer: c) Tuple

- 03 Which Python module is used to work with file paths? **(3 marks)**
a) os
b) pathlib
c) sys
d) shutil

Answer: b) pathlib

- 04 Which keyword is used to define a function in Python? **(3 marks)**
a) def
b) function
c) define
d) fn

Answer: a) def

- 05 **A Python virtual environment is used to:** **(3 marks)**
a) Run Python faster
b) Keep dependencies isolated
c) Install multiple versions of Python
d) Encrypt Python scripts

Answer: b) Keep dependencies isolated

- 06 The _____ module provides specialized container datatypes such as OrderedDict and defaultdict. **(3 marks)**

Answer: collections

- 07 Which statement correctly opens a file in read mode? **(3 marks)**
a) file = open("data.txt", "r")
b) file = open("data.txt", "w")
c) file = open("data.txt", "a")
d) file = read("data.txt")

Answer: a) file = open("data.txt", "r")

- 08 Which function is used to delete a file in Python? **(2 marks)**
a) remove()
b) delete()
c) erase()
d) drop()

Answer: a) remove()

- 09 Which of the following is the correct syntax for defining a function in Python? **(3 marks)**
a) def myFunction:
b) function myFunction():
c) def myFunction():
d) create function myFunction()

Answer: c) def myFunction():

- 10 Which of the following correctly declares a Python list? **(3 marks)**
- myList = {1, 2, 3, 4}
 - myList = [1, 2, 3, 4]
 - myList = (1, 2, 3, 4)
 - myList = <1, 2, 3, 4>
- Answer:** b) myList = [1, 2, 3, 4]
- 11 What will be the output of the following code? **(2 marks)**
- ```
x = 5
y = "10"
print(x + y)
```
- 15
  - 510
  - TypeError
  - None
- Answer:** c) TypeError
- 12 Which of the following is the correct way to open a file in read mode? **(4 marks)**
- file = open("data.txt", "r")
  - file = open("data.txt", "w")
  - file = open("data.txt", "a")
  - file = open("data.txt", "rw")
- Answer:** a) file = open("data.txt", "r")
- 13 In Python, indentation is optional when defining a function. **(3 marks)**
- Answer: False**
- 14 The **elif** statement is used in Python to check multiple conditions in an **if** statement. **(3 marks)**
- Answer: True**
- 15 A dictionary stores data in the form of key-value pairs and is declared using \_\_\_\_\_ brackets. **(3 marks)**
- Answer:** {}
- 16 How can you handle exceptions in Python? Provide an example. **(5 marks)**
- Answer:**
- Use try-except blocks to catch and handle errors.
- ```
try:
    x = 10 / 0
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Cannot divide by zero!")
```
- 17 Differentiate between a normal function and a lambda function in Python with an example. **(5marks)**
- Answer:**
- **Normal Function:** Uses def, has a name.
e.g: def square(x):
 return x * x
 - **Lambda Function:** Anonymous, single-expression function
Eg: square = lambda x: x * x

Section B: Attempt any three (3) questions		(30marks)
18	What are the four types of Python collections? Provide one example for each.	(10marks)
	Answer:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List → Stores multiple values, e.g., fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]. • Tuple → Immutable ordered collection, e.g., coordinates = (10, 20). • Dictionary → Key-value storage, e.g., user = {"name": "Alice", "age": 25}. • Set → Stores unique values, e.g., unique_numbers = {1, 2, 3, 4}. 	
19	Write a Python function that takes a list of numbers and returns the sum of even numbers.	(10marks)
	Answer:	
	<pre>def sum_even(numbers): return sum(num for num in numbers if num % 2 == 0) print(sum_even([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])) # Output: 12</pre>	
20	Implement a Python program that removes duplicate elements from a given list while preserving the order.	(10marks)
	Answer:	
	<pre>def remove_duplicates(lst): return list(dict.fromkeys(lst)) print(remove_duplicates([1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5])) # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]</pre>	
21	Write a Python script to count the occurrences of each word in a given text file.	(10marks)
	Answer:	
	<pre>from collections import Counter with open("sample.txt", "r") as file: words = file.read().split() word_count = Counter(words) print(word_count)</pre>	
22	Write a Python program that demonstrates the use of a generator function to yield even numbers between 1 and 10.	(10marks)
	Answer:	
	<pre>def even_numbers(): for num in range(1, 11): if num % 2 == 0: yield num for number in even_numbers(): print(number)</pre>	
Section C: Attempt only one (1) question		(15marks)

- 23 Write a Python program to create a text file, write “hello my classmates” **(15marks)** in the file, then read and print the content.

Answer:

```
# Writing to file
with open("example.txt", "w") as file:
    file.write("Hello, Python file handling!")
```

```
# Reading from file
with open("example.txt", "r") as file:
    print(file.read())
```

- 24 Write a Python program to check whether a given string is a palindrome. **(15marks)**

Answer:

```
def is_palindrome(s):
    return s == s[::-1]
```

```
print(is_palindrome("madam")) # Output: True
print(is_palindrome("hello")) # Output: False
```

